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Title: Method, Apparatus and System for Maintaining Connections Between  
Computers Using Connection-Oriented Protocols

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO AUGUST 31, 2006 ADVISORY ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Advisory Action dated 31 August 2006 and is submitted with a request for continued examination pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114 and a Petition for a one-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a).

Applicant herewith petitions the Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to extend the time for reply to the Office action dated August 31, 2006 for one month, to September 30, 2006. Submitted herewith is payment by credit card in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the cost of extension.

Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the "Listing of Claims" beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.